

CORVALLIS ABROAD

HOW THEY TELL THE HOLY ROLLER STORY IN FAR OFF SCOTLAND.

Some Things True and Some Not—The Maiden at the Sacrificial Fire—Burning Musical Instruments on the Flat Stone.

The news of Holy Rollerism as lately practiced at Corvallis has penetrated far off Scotland. A copy of the Scotchman, published at Edinburgh, and containing a story of the doings of the Corvallis Holy Rollers has reached the "Times" office. The article appears under the head, "The Holy Rollers—Frenzied Acts of a New Religious Sect."

When the rumor gained general circulation that a young girl was to be offered as a sacrifice police officers repaired to the temple of the sect. Admission was at first denied them, but they were not to be deflected, and rushed past the doorkeeper. The prophet promptly made his appearance and inquired the cause of the disturbance.

After the dismissal of the insanity case, the citizens threatened violence, and some of the leaders fled, but only to remain away for a few days. Their return was the occasion for a grand jubilee by the adherents of the new religion, whose faith and zeal were reinforced when the leaders, with great solemnity, declared—

"God bade us return. Human beings cannot harm." The effect of this declaration was electrical. All the faithful assembled in the evening before a flat rock near their temple, which the prophet had proclaimed an altar for special sacrifice.

These fanatical followers had brought before the altar what remained of their furniture and cherished personal effects. As the flames rose the prophet spoke— "Subjugate all lustful desires. All that has price contaminates the spirit and hinders communion with God."

At this stage the emotions of several women had overcome them. They fell upon the ground, and then began a detail of the sect's religious practices previously performed, only behind barred doors. Shouting and praying the women rolled over and over on the ground in front of the altar.

stunned by a blow and thrown into the midst of the flames. Pet cats had the same fate—even a bird in its cage.

Children sacrificed their toys without urging. One mite of a girl kissed her rag doll and threw it upon the blazing altar. The prophet, seen through the smoke with his arms upraised, completely dominated every mind and body there.

The mode of ordinary worship of this strange sect consists largely of shouting, singing, screaming, rolling, and other actions which denote a greatly perturbed state of mind. While some sing, others roll about on the floor, giving vent to blood-curdling yells.

Disciples were lying about on the floor, on mats, cots, blankets, bibles and other places of rest remarkable for their crudeness. No furniture graced the room, and the worshippers had assumed various positions to offer up prayers and otherwise declare their devotion to God.

Requested to explain the meaning of the cloth over the girl's face, and the nature of their devotions, he replied—"We are receiving a revelation from God as to our future."

Pressed to answer whether God had ordered that the girl by his side be sacrificed, he said—"He has not yet, but if He should, His will be done. We know no law of man."

The officers, realizing that their mission had failed, hailed the leaders, Creffield and Brooks, into court on a charge of insanity. Their discharge by the court has left them at liberty to continue their strange devotions unmolested—until the watching officers of the law gain evidence that a human sacrifice is actually in preparation.

At Summit. Mark Caves is tunnel watchman while Ed Stout is taking a lay off. Several are sick with Lagrippe at this time. Mrs. Caves is visiting relatives at Corvallis.

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WHAT THEY DISCUSSED.

Parents and Teachers in Council—Parent's Meeting at Wells.

An interesting meeting of school patrons occurred at Wells last Saturday. The first subject on the program was, "Home Influence on the Character of the Child," E. F. Wiles read a very strong paper in which he said in part: "Parents should begin early in character training. The mother's influence is the great factor in moulding good, noble citizenship. It begins with the cradle and never ceases until it ends with the grave."

"Does the School Teach too Much," was discussed at considerable length by A. A. Williamson, A. Thurston and John Harris. Mr. Thurston's paper showed careful preparation and thought. His idea was that an effort should be made to have the state give more money to our public schools and less to our state institutions.

T. T. Vincent made an eloquent plea for better training of the young. His subject was "Value of an Education." He made some plain, practical thoughts which appealed to every parent and youth present. "School Days when I was a Child" was handled in a very interesting way by Wm. Cauthorn.

R. N. Williamson in discussing, "Should Agriculture be Taught in Public Schools," showed why this should be done. He showed how much the salaries of teachers could be raised if more money was set aside by the state for the common school folk.

The next parents' meeting will be held with the Fairmount grange February 20th. This is to be an open meeting to which all our patrons should avail themselves of the opportunity to attend. This meeting will include the following districts, Granger, Oak Grove, Fir Grove and District No. 43.

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Army Officer Must Pay Duty on His Treasures.

Lieut. Schoeffel Meets with Difficulty on Reaching San Francisco with Chinese Imperial Seals and Jade Tablets.

Five Chinese imperial seals and 12 jade tablets from the temple at Peking, which were brought home by Lieut. John B. Schoeffel, of the Ninth Infantry, were seized at the transport dock at San Francisco by the customs officers the other day. It was supposed at first that the tablets were of great historical value, but more careful examination convinces the customs officials that they were simply ornaments and of no particular value except as curios.

HIGH TRIBUTE TO HIS WIFE.

Emperor Tells Students at Bonn That Presence of Emperor at Kommerz Should Be Lifelong Inspiration.

At the kommers of the Borussia student corps, which was held at Bonn, Emperor William, who was present referred in a speech to the empress of Germany, who witnessed the kommers from the gallery of the building. Alluding to the presence of his wife, the emperor said: "The chroniclers record that when our forefathers met in tournaments it was perfectly natural that a circle of illustrious ladies should witness their deeds, and with pride the victor received the wreath presented by a lovely hand. It was thus also at Wartburg, when they seized the harp and lyre and sang in competition."

PLANS CONSUMPTION TEST.

Dr. Garnault, the Paris Physician Who Inoculated Himself with Virus, is Dismissed.

Dr. Garnault, the Paris physician who has inoculated himself with matter taken from a consumptive cow, in order to disprove Prof. Koch's theory that it is impossible for human beings to catch tuberculosis from cattle, is ready for a new experiment. He does not propose that Dr. Theobald Smith, professor of comparative pathology at the medical school at Harvard university, shall treat him during the present experiment if tuberculosis declares itself.

Under an insurance law enacted in Germany several years ago, 30,000,000 people receive in return for a nominal sum free medical attendance. The theory was that suffering humanity would receive cheap and effective relief from its bodily ills, but in practice there are many drawbacks.

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